

CLINCH VALLEY NEWS.

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Our Special Clearance Sale will positively end when we get moved into our new store, which will be about August 1st.

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and we give fair warning.

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Fact

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Our instalment terms enable you to get what you want when you want it, and pay for it when able.

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23, 27 Princeton Avenue, Bluefield, West Virginia.

"BRO. HARMAN AT IT AGAIN

Will Build Tabernacle for The Poor."

Under the above heading the CLINCH VALLEY NEWS of last week said:

"The services at the Christian church, on last Sunday morning, were of more than ordinary interest. There was a large crowd present to hear Senator J. N. Harman preach, who delivered, as was expected, a sermon bordering at least on the sensational.

"It had been whispered around for time that Mr. Harman had an idea of building a large but very plain tabernacle on Tazewell Avenue, for the exclusive benefit of the poor classes, and that he would explain his new idea on Sunday and make the fur fly, and those who went to hear him last Sunday were not disappointed. * * *

"That these poor, plain people were not welcome in the churches of the rich, and are seldom invited to attend, and are often slighted if they do attend."

Had the Editor been present, as he ought to have been, to hear that sermon, the last sentence above quoted would not have been written. I made exactly the opposite statement concerning the poor. I said that there was not a preacher in the town who would not gladly welcome the poorest of the poor to his services, and that every church joined the preachers in extending such a welcome. I further criticised the poor people for their pride and sensitiveness upon the subject of dress, and their absence from church services on that account.

Much adverse criticism has been heaped on me for making the statement erroneously attributed to me by Clinch Valley News. Some have gone so far as to say that I should not be permitted to preach in any church in the town if I did make such a statement. Many of my friends have stood by my supposed "sensational" statement, saying that it is true. The discussion that has followed has led me to doubt the accuracy of the statement that I really did make. Were I to be called up now to repeat the statement, I should modify it somewhat like this: "There is not a preacher in this town who would not gladly welcome the poorest of the poor to their services, and a large majority of their members would join them in extending such a welcome." But I insist that the preachers and the majority of their members have unconsciously allowed a small minority of their worldly minded members to set the pace in the matter of costly dressing, to fix the social standing founded upon money, education, and family, and fine clothes, rather than to moral character, to such an extent that the masses of plain people have been alienated from the churches. These people will never return under present social conditions, and false standards which are the curse of the churches today. This yawning chasm between the churches and the plain people is widening and deepening daily. The church can bridge this chasm if she will, by reproducing former conditions, under which the rich and the poor may meet together and realize that the Lord is the maker of them all.

To meet a long felt want and to supply this real deep need, I have yielded to the pressing demand to erect a modest tabernacle on Tazewell Avenue, that we may assist in producing the necessary conditions, to restore the old order of things and the old fashioned times when churches were not used for dress parade occasions. The plain people will set the pace at the tabernacle. The old Jerusalem gospel will be preached there in United States language and in the Tazewell tongue, that the unlearned may understand. Moral character will be taken as the true measure of manhood; that God is no respecter of persons, and His people must not be. We will use no book but the bible and have no creed but Christ. The bond of fellowship for the tabernacle worshippers is expressed as follows: "I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ with my whole heart, I will be diligent in the use of the means he has placed in my reach to know his will, and obey him as I understand him."

Attention will be called to all the duties we owe to God and man. In doing this we will not shun teaching as is found in 1st Tim. 2: 9-10; James 2nd, chapter, and Pet. 3: 3-4-5. No church or society is to be organized in the tabernacle, except a Sunday-school which will be conducted at 2:30 p. m. and a Thursday night prayer-meeting. Preaching every Sunday at 8:30 p. m. Tabernacle worshippers will be urged to attend services at the churches, and all the plain people of the churches are cordially invited to attend the tabernacle services. Mark that: "The Plain

People." The preachers of the town will be invited from time to time to preach for us. We do not draw the line between rich and poor, but between the worldly racers after pride, fashion, lust and pleasure on the one hand, and the plain spiritually minded people on the other. This is a fight against pride and worldliness in the churches, and for equal rights to all and special privileges to none. It is a war to the knife and knife to the hilt. We ask no quarters from the enemy and give none.

I trust that the need for our tabernacle services will soon be anticipated by the churches, by their adjusting themselves to conditions to such an extent that our mission shall be ended. No man deprecates the necessity for this special work more than I do, and none will rejoice more than the writer when the present season of distress will end and that all may return to the churches and feel at home, and when the tabernacle will only be remembered as the turning point where this tide of formality, pride and worldliness was arrested, and where the simplicity and power of the gospel of Christ were once more enjoyed.

J. N. HARMAN.

Tazewell, Va., July 8th, 1903.

Telegraph Office.

The officers of the Prudential Fire Insurance Company have started a move to establish a telegraph office in Tazewell. Mr. M. S. Pendleton Secretary of the Prudential, has just returned from Richmond, where he was in consultation with the officers of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and he says that the officers speak very favorably of the establishment of an office in Tazewell. Mr. C. J. Barnes, of the Ratliff Hotel has kindly consented to give a space in the public room of his hotel, where the office, if it is established will be located. The present arrangements are not at all satisfactory, the telegraph office being a mile from town and important messages which should be delivered immediately after received cannot be on account of the distance. The cost of delivering the messages is not a small item with the insurance firms of the town, which will receive the most benefit from the proposed office. A petition is being gotten up and will be circulated among the citizens of the town.

Man Killed by Train

Taborville, Va., July 7.—Mrs. Hiram Compton, whose name has been mentioned in the NEWS, as being sick is still no better at this writing.

H. B. Compton, who has typhoid fever, is getting along nicely.

Mr. H. D. Dudley and his daughter, Miss Maggie is visiting at Williamson.

Mr. Frank Caldwell, of Bluestone, was found dead on the railroad near Flat Top Yards early Sunday morning. It is supposed he was killed by the train. We have not learned the particulars.

Several of our Taborville boys went to Pocahontas the Fourth, and report a good time.

Mr. Jos. French, of Coopers, was up Sunday to see his mother, Mrs. Jas. French, who is sick at this writing.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. S. Compton, of Bluefield, were down in our vicinity last Saturday and Sunday.

Burke's Garden.

Burke's Garden, July 6.—Mrs. Cassell, from Wytheville, is visiting her son, Mr. Mike Cassell, at this place.

Miss Vesta Wootton from Richmond, who has been nursing Miss Emma Greever during her illness left Saturday for Roanoke.

We are very glad to say that Miss Emma is getting along nicely and is now able to set up some.

Misses Clara and Marietta Greever are expected home this week from Bristol where they have spent several weeks with friends and relatives.

Misses Lena May Wynn and Bettie Boling are attending the normal at Tazewell now.

Miss Annie Rhudy and brother, John, have been visiting relatives in Smythe.

Mr. J. N. Rhudy is in Giles this week.

Misses May Moss and J. Nan Hoge and Mr. W. G. Moss spent part of last week in Bluefield.

Quarterly meeting will be held at Central Church next Saturday and Sunday.

Nothing Like it in the Coal Field.

The "Cute Photo" studio, No. 235 Princeton Avenue, where you get 25 "cute" photos in 4 artistic poses for 35 cents. Here for a short time. Come quick. Last time is a pull-back to fun. No. 235 Princeton ave., Bluefield, W. Va. June 12th.

SUDDEN DEATH AT CEDAR BLUFF

Wm. B. Moore Succumbs to a Stroke of Apoplexy.

Cedar Bluff, Va., July 8.—

Our community received a severe shock on last Monday morning when it was announced that Mr. Wm. B. Moore had suddenly died at the parsonage here from a stroke of apoplexy.

The deceased arose on Monday morning in his usual health, and after leading the family in morning devotions, ate his breakfast as usual, after which he had a romp with the children on the street, fronting the parsonage, and spoke to several persons, who were passing, in his accustomed cheerful manner, then entering his room and setting down he suddenly complained of a severe pain in his head, and expired in ten minutes.

Brother Moore, whose home was in Knoxville, Tenn., came to our town last winter during the illness of his daughter, Mrs. J. D. McAllister, the deceased wife of our Methodist pastor, and after her death had remained as a member of the family at the parsonage and during his stay at Cedar Bluff, he had by his upright character and consistent christian life, won the affection and esteem of our people.

He was always in his place at the church services, in the prayer meetings, and at the Sunday-school, of which he was so fond, and on Sunday before his death he taught the bible class.

Brother Moore was a good man, and was ready when the summons came, and as I write, his remains are being conveyed to the cars to be carried to his loved ones at his home at Knoxville, accompanied by his son, Mr. John C. Moore, of that city and his son-in-law, Rev. J. D. McAllister, of Cedar Bluff, who have the sympathy of our entire community in their sore affliction.

Benbow

Messrs W. D. Mathews and John Puckett, who have been at work in Bluefield for some time, came home on the Fourth. Mr. Mathews returned to his work on Sunday, but Mr. Puckett did not return until later in the week.

Mr. A. B. Buchanan and family spent the day in Tazewell Sunday.

Mrs. Gray Puckett was quite sick Saturday night and Sunday. A doctor had to be called on Sunday, but she is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Lee Compton, who has been sick so long, is much improved. She spent several days with Mrs. R. S. week before last; and attended the Quarterly Meeting on the following Sunday. She also attended the picnic on the Fourth. This is more than she has been out for more than a year.

Mr. William Allen has been very sick, but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. A. T. Mathews went with his brother, Mr. W. D. Mathews, to Bluefield last Sunday. The many friends of these two boys regret to see them leave the community.

This community celebrated the Fourth by a nice picnic in a grove on Mr. D. W. Lynches farm. While the idea organized among the young folks, still it was attended by several of the parents, who seemed to enjoy the occasion as much as any of the younger ones. There were about eighty persons present in all. Instead of dining on soda crackers and sardines as some picnic parties have been doing this season, we had an abundance of nice dinner, which was prepared by the pretty girls and their good mothers at their homes for the occasion. After dinner had been served, we had several games in which most of the young folks took part. We also had some very fine violin music by the Mathew brothers, Mrs. Hanrahan, wife of Rev. Mr. Hanrahan, was one of our guests, whom we all enjoyed having with us. The whole occasion was one of the most pleasant that we have had the pleasure of attending for some time.

Appointed Commissioner of the Revenue.

Judge Stuart on last Monday appointed W. C. Williams of Pounding Mill, Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden spring District in place of John Pack, who failed to qualify before July 1st as provided by the constitution,

What You Find this Week at

CHAPMAN'S

Shirts that will make you shiver on the hottest day. Ties as radiant as rainbows, for "the good old summer time."

Sun Bonnets which are sure the feminine eye to please. Summer Gowns that give a Queeny effect. Oxfords for dress and the kind you will like with walking skirts.

Low collars, the kind you want for summer time.

Fancy colored hose, that will run only when you do Socks with clocks that do not alarm.

They fit

Where others bind.

As good a shoe

Is hard to find:

"La France."

R C CHAPMAN

Pounding Mill

Pounding Mill, Va., July 8.—Mrs. Geo. W. Gillespie and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes Gillespie came down to-day from Tazewell, to visit the families of J. B. Hurt and R. K. Gillespie.

Mr. Chas. Hurt and his daughter, Lizzie, came up from Wise to spend some time at this place and Cedar Bluff. Mr. Hurt's health is poor.

Mr. Winston Bryant and little sister, Maude, of Gorgel, spent couple nights visiting at W. B. Steele's on their way from visiting at Oakvale and Pisgah.

Misses Maggie and Ella Sparks went to Gap Store yesterday to see their grand-mother, Mrs. Jonas Sparks, who is very ill.

Mrs. W. B. Steele attended the meeting of Saints at Jones' Chapel on last Sunday.

G. W. Doyle is here resting up. He reports 23ayed and snuffed at Tip Top. Also that there will be an all day meeting at Maxwell on next Sunday. Several from Tip Top will be baptized at that time. The meeting will be held in Grove near the Maxwell church, and will continue all day. Every one who can conveniently do so, come, and bring lunch. Those who can't bring dinner come anyway. The next tent meeting will be held at Graham on the 15th.

Finney's Siding

Finney's Siding, Va., July 7.—Our picnic on the Fourth was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. But one of our largest flags mysteriously disappeared about the time the Honaker crowd took their flight, and was afterwards found in their possession, and brought back in triumph. Three cheers for the stars and stripes.

Misses Etta and Kate Cleek, of St. Paul, visited Mrs. Fink the latter part of the week.

Miss Lucy Terry, of Bluefield, has been visiting Miss Blanche Keith for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Banner, son and two grand children, of Lebanon, were the guests of A. W. Howard and family last week.

J. E. Keith went to Bluefield Wednesday and returned Thursday.

W. A. Howard went to Lebanon on business the first of the week.

Mr. Thompson says Peery Gilmore "is a hard dog to keep out of the house."

Mud Fork.

Mud Fork, Va., July 7.—As we have never saw any items from this place, I will now try and give you a few of the many happenings.

Messrs. Luther and Robert Tabor were visiting home folks the 4th.

Miss Lottie Tabor was the guest of Miss Edna Thompson Saturday night.

Mr. C. E. Thompson, who has been visiting home folks for a few days, returned to his work in McDowell yesterday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomson, who has been very ill for some time, we are sorry to say is no better at this writing.

Misses Lottie and Eugenia Tabor, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Mercer, county for some time, returned last week.

Miss Angie, daughter of P. W. Wagner, is visiting in Bluefield this week.

Mr. Willie Tabor one of our prominent young gentlemen, has accepted a position in Pocahontas.

ABOUT THE NEW DEPOT

Letter Received by Mayor Royall.

Mr. A. C. Needles, Superintendent of the Pocahontas Division of the Norfolk & Western Railway, was in town Tuesday having come here to see after the proposed depot, a petition having been gotten up by the citizens of the town asking the railroad company to put a new depot at North Tazewell to take the place of the old one which affords very bad accommodations for the traveling public.

Mr. Needles was in consultation with a number of the leading citizens and did not promise a new depot definitely, but he said that would lay the matter before the officials of the railroad. He assured us that if a new depot was not erected in the place of the old one that he would see that additions would be made to the old one that would make it much more commodious and convenient for the travelling public. We understand that the company proposed adding about twenty feet to the western end of of the depot and about fifty feet to the eastern end, and making other improvements that will make the depot almost as good as a new one.

The following letter in this connection has been received here by Mayor Royall:

Office of L. E. Johnson, Vice-President and General Manager Norfolk & Western Railway Co. Roanoke, Va., July 7, 1903. Mr. J. Powell Royall, Mayor, Tazewell, Va.

Dear Sir:—I have your esteemed favor of the 1st, and beg to thank you for the kindly expression contained therein. The matter of improved facilities for the accommodation of the good people of Tazewell and surrounding country is now being looked into and the matter will have our prompt and liberal consideration upon the receipt of information which we are now seeking.

Yours truly, L. E. JOHNSON.

"My Sons,"

said a great business man, "are my partners and they need all the strength and courage I can give them," and he forthwith paid for a \$1,000,000 policy in The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. Not without the most careful investigation, however, extending over six months. He was convinced by just such facts as led the President of a National Bank in New York to make the curious and shrewd provision in his will, which is contained in "A Banker's Will." Write for it and also for the account of the \$1,000,000 policy, "The Largest Annual Premiums."

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